## THE TOWNS AROUND.

MCINDOR FALLS. Death of Mrs. Bridgeman

Mrs. Isaac Bridgeman died at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. C. Gleason, Sunday, August 11th. Mrs. Bridgeman had been very ill with gastric fever since her arrival from Northampton several weeks She was the eldest daughter of Mrs. J. C. Gleason and until her marriage made her home at this place, where she was well known, and held in the highest esteem and respect by all. The funeral services were beld Tuesday af ternoon at three o'clock. Mrs. Bridgeman leaves a husband, a mother, two sons, Walter and John, a daughter, Mrs. Stedman, two sisters, and a brother, who have the sympathy of a large circle of friends in their bereavement.

Miss Mabel Stevens of Lawrence Mass., is the guest of Mrs. E. W. Lawler. Mrs. George Payne, who has been pending several weeks with her mother, Mrs. Haney, in Ryegate has returned

Miss Blanche Gould of Plymouth spent last week with Miss Mabel Ford.

The ball game played Saturday afternoon between the St. Johnsbury Academy and McIndoes team resulted in a score of 3 to 2 in favor of McIndoes. Miss Florence May of St. Johnsbury spent Saturday in town.

C. I. Smith attended the horse races Newport last week in the interest of t. Johnsbury Fairground Association. Walter Bridgeman and family of Massachusetts are boarding at Charles

Mrs. John Gleason is visiting her arents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaiah Page. Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Kinney, Mrs. ulia Kinney and Varney Kinney left Vednesday for Kansas.

Mrs. John Buffum is spending a fortight in Laconia. Wilber Little has finished work for G. Winch and gone to Bath, N. H.

here he has bought a barber shop. The friends of Miss Pearl Field were leased to learn of her success in the an American Exposition contest which osed Thursday.

Ex-congressman John Gilfillan, wife nd daughter of Minneapolis spent Saturday at C. I Smith's. The fall term of the Academy will begin

uesday, Sept. 3, instead of August 27 before advertised. Miss Elizabeth arsloe, a graduate of McGill Normal chool, has been engaged as assistant. Mrs. Julia Smith, who has been spend-

several weeks at West Barnet, returned Thursday. Miss Martha Duncan, who has been pending the past month with her par-

nts in Monroe, returned to her work at ortland, Me., Monday. Miss Abbie Van Dyke went to Lancas er last week for a few days, accompanied

her friend, Miss Jennie McLaughlin Manchester. Mr. and Mrs A. H. Barrows and little on spent several days at W. H. Gil-

brist's last week Mrs. Howard Coles has been called to er home in Tarrytown, N. Y., on acount of the illness of her husband.

Prot. and Mrs. Davis and son of ramingham, Mass., spent last week at . L. Duncan's.

Miss Alice Phelps is at home from conia on a vacation. Mr. and Mrs. Young of Laconia are

visiting at Walter Phelps'. George Blair and family go this week Wilder, where Mr. Blair has the posi-

tion of boss on the section. Miss Jean Duncan and Miss Pearl Field who have been at the Lookout House, White Mountains, the last six

weeks, have returned home. Arthur Peck of St. Johnsbury spent lew days in town recently.

William W. White and wife of Colerook, have been visiting friends in this

## A Keen Clear Brain.

Your best feelings, your social position business success depends largely on e perfect action of your Stomach and iver. Dr. King's New Life Pills give creased strength, a keen, clear brain, gh ambition. A 25 cent box will make ou feel like a new being. Sold by Flint ros., druggists.

## GREENSBORO.

C. C. Coomer and wife visited relatives Glover Friday. Rev. Mr. Dewburst preached at St. ohnsbury Sunday. Charles Downer from St. Johnsbury

risited his mother over Sunday. Mrs. Fifield and son of Janesville, Wis., risited at H. S. Tolman's last week.

Caleb Lothrop and daughter from Vinterset, Iowa, are visiting at F. A. oodrich's and W. A. Jackson's. Mr. Lothrop is 86 years old, but looks 20 years younger.

Charles and E. B. Cook of Portland nd their sisters, Mrs. Frye of New York and Mrs. Staniels of Concord, N. H. made a brief visit to their old home and called on old friends in town Friday.

Mrs. A. D. Williams and daughter ave returned to their home in Fulton,

George M. Haines, M. D., of Durand Il., has been in town a few days visiting is sister and many other relatives and old friends. The doctor was a Greensoro boy and has been in Durand 24 years, where he has established a lucraive practice.

H. M. Cuthbertson and wife and S. D. ow and daughter visited Montpelier ast week.

There was a reunion of the Parker amily at Sunset cottage, Lake Caspian, Friday, attended by a goodly number of

Raymond and Everett Soule of Bur ngton are spending a few days at W. S. ngalls' while their parents are at the an-American Exposition. Mr. and Mrs. Holmes Ricard of Swan

on visited at Mrs. F. C. Kinney's last week.

Rev. J. A. Goodrich occupied the desk at the Congregational church in a very cceptable manner Sunday.

Walter Simpson is home from the Bufalo exposition.

Mrs. O'Hearne from Canada is visiting her sister, Mrs. Hussey. E. A. Townshend of Manchester, N

H., was in town Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Alpha Jackson visited in St. Johnsbury and Passumpsic the first

of the week. Mr. and Mrs. Roylston and Mr. and

Mrs. G. M. Cuthbertson were called to Glover Sunday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Roylston's mother, Mrs. John Hoyt.

W. A. Jackson and wife attended the Woodbury celebration Saturday.

A Woman's Awful Peril.

"There is only one chance to save your life and that is through an operation' were the startling words heard by Mrs. L. B. Hunt of Lime Ridge, Wis., from her doctor after he had vainly tried to cure her of a frightful case of stomach trouble and yellow jaundice. Gall stones had formed and she gradually grew worse. Then she began to use Electric Bitters which wholly cured her. It's a wonderful Stomach, Liver and Kidney Remedy, Cures Dyspepsia, Loss of Appetite. Try it. Only 50 cts. Guaranteed. For sale by Flint Bros., druggists.

LYNDON. The picnic in Mr. Ide's woods on Wed-

nesday, Aug. 14, brought together about

100 people mostly former pupils of Lyndon Academy. There were present two former instructors, Mrs. Amelia K. Washburn (now Mrs. Cyrus S. Church) of Walpole, N. H., who taught in the early '70's and Walter P. Sampson of Middleboro, Mass., who was here a dozen years ago. The following is a list of those not now residents of this place who were present, with members of their family: E. B. Chase, Fred G. Bundy and wife, C. B. Weeks and wife, William Bowditch and daughter, Miss Ella Wilmarth and Mrs. Electa Clement Bowker, all of St. Johnsbury; Mrs Helen Weeks Streeter and son and daughter, Roxbury, Mass.; Mrs. Ada Chase Hopkinson, Springfield, Mass.; Mrs. Emma Prouty Kinne and Mrs. Nellie Williams Richardson, Littleton, N. H.; Mrs. Louisa Cahoon Folsom, Bellows Falls; Mrs. Alice Hall Walter. Chicago; Mrs. Emma Stevens Sampson, Middleboro, Mass.: Mrs. Alvena Odiorne Ballon and daughter, West Superior, Wis.: Mrs. Carrie Eaton Brewer, Indianapolis, Ind.: Mrs. Caro Mattocks Hubbard, Schence tady, N. Y.; Miss Henrietta H. Chase, Chicago; Miss Katherine Cahoon Ros well, New Mexico; Miss Florence Chase, recently from Germany. At one o'clock bountiful repast was served from tables, to which all sat down at once except the waiters, one table being filled with students of the '70's without husbands or wives. A merry time resulted at which given names were used exclusively and all lorgot the intervening years. After dinner letters from absent ones were read and remarks made. The day was perfect and the occasion was one of the pleas

antest of a life time. A large tamarac tree in Henry Chase's yard was cut down last week Tuesday morning to prevent injury to the surrounding buildings. The tree was about 50 feet tall and said to be about 100 years old.

Have you money to invest? See pre ferred stock advertisement on page 1.

A record of the events of Old Home week would be incomplete without mention of the arrival on Tuesday morning of the tenth girl baby in the family of E H. Hoffman, Esq. With the two lively boys this makes a good old-time family rarely found in these days.

Frank Waters and wife are entertaining a boy born Sunday morning.

M. F. Farren of Providence, R. I., has home Thursday. Mrs. Samuel McClatchie of Hemming-

ford, Quebec, is visiting at her brother inlaw's, Henry Ingraham. Henry Chase was at home from his luties at Portland for a few days last

week. C. B. Weeks and wife of St. Johnsbury are spending a part of their vacation at

heir father's, J. M. Weeks. Mrs. Eva Quimby Holmes of Spring-

ield, Mass., is at Curtis Stevens'. Mrs. J. C. Albee and her son Gerald went to Montpelier last Wednesday to visit friends.

Will Bailey has secured a position as tenographer in Boston and went there last Wednesday night.

Mrs. Joe Hoyt of Barre is visiting her clatives in this place. Lorenzo Eaton received a summons ast week Monday back to his work at

lecksonville, Ala., and left on the first train. W. T. McGovern and wife started

Monday for the Pan-American Exposition. Mrs. Hodge was very sick last week

but is much better. Mrs. Carrie Eaton Brewer is quite ill. Mrs. Julia Merritt of Manchester, N. H., has been spending the last week with

her sister, Mrs. L. M. Kent. Mrs. W. C. Blake and daughter Ida went last week to Portland to join Dr. Blake and Miss Stella for a vacation.

## World's Champion.

"I tried many remedies to cure piles," writes W. R. Smith of Latham, Ill., "but ound no relief till I used Bucklen's Arnica Salve. I have not been troubled with piles since." It's the only champion pile cure on earth and the best salve in the world. 25c per box, guaranteed by Flint Bros., druggists.

## WEST DANVILLE.

Capt J. S. Thompson is building a new boat house at Lake Park. P. F. Pope is clapboarding his house

and renovating it throughout. Mrs. George W. Armstrong was moved to Waterbury Monday.

Mrs. Cook from Boston is visiting her uncle, A. L. Ingalls.

Edmund Brickett and wife returned to their home last week. M. S. Bolton of Peacham was here on ousiness Saturday.

Several attended the I. O. O. F. Field Day at St. Johnsbury Saturday. Miss Lillias Hill came to visit friends

Saturday. Jell-O, The New Dessert,

pleases all the family. Four flavors:

Lemon, orange, raspberry and strawberry. At your grocers. 10 cts. Try it oday.

## CABOT.

Mrs. Minnie Brown and sons of Hardwick visited at Herman Osgood's last week.

The schoolhouse at West Hill is being repaired. The schoolhouse at the village is under-

going many changes, the grounds are being graded and the drainage is now best.

### OLD HOME WEEK.

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be present. He left Barnet too early in life to be able to speak as its representative. He had wondered why his Scotch ancestry chose Barnet as an abidingplace, till he discovered the striking similarity of the landscape of the new Scotland in Vermont to that of old Scotland across the water. He paid warm and deserved tribute to Vermont scenery as among the finest in the world. Two hundred thousand, he said, have left this state to go elsewhere, and many of them have wielded a helpful influence and left the impress of their energy in communities wherein they have settled. For love of their common wealth these Vermonters come back from time to time; they bring to us cordial greetings from other states, and cordial greetings are extended to them as they return. Judge Gilfillan dwelt at some length on the early his tory of Vermont, spoke of the sturdy manner in which she held her own as to population, and expressed himself as decidedly in favor of the Old Home Week

Congressman D. J. Foster of Burling ton, also a Barnet boy, was the next speaker, and emphasized the depth of interest with which Vermont follows the careers of the sons who leave her for other and larger fields-not only those who have distinguished themselves in the public eye, but as well those who take quieter and more obscure places and yet do heroic work. He urged that we should be as much interested in the success of Vermont's daughters as in that of her sons, and proceeded to speak appreciatively of the influence of mothers, and sisters, and wives in shaping effectively and successfully the fortunes of the sons. Each state has a glory peculiarly its own. There is no danger to the central government in marked increase of population in this republic, since the responsibilities thereby entailed are distributed among the several states. In closing he urged a close attention to the demands and needs of the future as it unfolds before us.

A double quartette (Miss Somerville, Mrs. Kyburg, Mrs. McNeil, Mrs. J. H. Moore, Mr. Hazen, Mr. Tyler, Mr. Silsby and Mr. Brooks) here sang "Jerusalem,

my glorious home." Hon. Fred G. Fleetwood of Morrisville spoke of the rare opportunity and promise embodied in Old Home Week, and took occasion to express his enjoyment of life and associations as he had found them in St. Johnsbury. It was a pleasure to come back. He felt sorry for the man not born in St. Johnsbury, or who had not lived there, or married a St. Johnsbury girl. He touched upon the frugality, temperance and industry exemplified in the lives of Vermonters, and paid his respects to St. Johnsbury as the finest town in the Passumpsic valley. Owing to the lateness of the hour, E.

H. Walcott, when called on, very neatly excused bimself from indulgence in speech making. It was, he remarked, gratifying to any teacher to note results n the careers of his pupils. While Congressman Foster was speaking it had occurred to him (Walcott) that Mr. Foster was, at one time in Burlington, a member of his Sunday school class and bad sat under his teachings-so that, in effect, the Congressman's thought, and ideas, and sentiments were his. That being the case, and having thus made been making a three weeks' visit at his son's, Rev. M. A. Farren, and goes to his would not make another! Before he sat down, however, he emphasized his appreciation of the warm-hearted hospitality dealt out to him while he was a resident of St. Johnsbury, and said he always delighted in coming back and greeting the friends he had found here. At this point, Mrs. Ellen Elv Kyburg of New York san'g, with much taste and

to the gratification of the company, a double number, including an old Irish melody, "Little Red Lark" by Stanford, and "The Fairies," by Dolores. Senator Hale of Lunenburg was the ast speaker, and he also took up but little time. He paid tender tribute to the St. Johnsbury home where the girlhood of his mother had been spent-had a little to say about the splendid charac-

and told an amusing story to demonstrate clearly to his listeners what sort of a place home ought not to be. The closing feature was the singing of 'Home, Sweet Home," Miss Somerville rendering two verses as solo and the company joining in the refrain. So ended an occasion to be pleasantly remembered by guests and entertainers

teristics of the average Vermont home,

### SOME OF THE ABSENTEES. Unable to Come, They Scut Greetings-

Extracts from the Letters. Secretary Stone reported the receipt by the committee of a large number of letters from invited Vermonters who found themselves unable to come. He read extracts from a few of these missives. We give below some of the greetings:

Edward C. Chamberlain of St. Louis: 'I look uponSt. Johnsbury as my only old home. My affection for it has not diminished one iota in the forty years of my absence. Virginia G. Hill, Lowell: "I have always looked upon St. Johnsbury as a model

town and have many pleasant memories associated therewith, though most of those whom I knew well have passed on into a world of light.' " Charles E. Putney, Burlington: "It would give me great pleasure to meet

many friends the occasion is likely to bring to St. Johnsbury." Walter Hawes, Chicago: "As an old resident of the beautiful town and one having happy memories of the old days. my dearest wish would be to be present

with you, but it is impossible. P. D. McMillan, Minneapolis: "I fully believe in the movement (Old Home Week), that it should be kept up. I trust it has come to stay."

E. D. Redington, Chicago: "My recollections of St. Johnsbury are of the pleasantest, one of the most beautiful villages in a state which has reason to be proud of her history, and no reason to feel ashamed of her sons and daughters who have gone forth to help fashion other commonwealths."

James F. Colby, Hanover: "With cordial good wishes for the success of your celebration and all efforts to toster those local attachments and to perpetuate the memory of our forbears which nourish the spirit of liberty and strengthen our

national ideals.' Mrs. C. M. Lamson, Boston: "I am always thankful that for eight blessed years my home was there, and I love to maintain that nowhere else are there such men and women as Vermont's

Henry S. Chubb, Gainesville, Fla.: D.C., said he was not born in Waterford,

Vermont nearly a quarter of a century, we feel that it is the dearest spot of earth, and particularly St. Johnsbury. Vermont has reared and sent forth sons and daughters who have maintained a civilization which has been of great

strength to the republic.' Rev. Geo. H. Ide, Milwaukee: "We love Vermont, and loyally wear the green of memory for her men and mountains. Of course there is no town in the state quite like St. Johnsbury, which I was not responsible for having been still he thought since he was born all born in, but am responsible for proudly declaiming the fact. Every son of Vermont will rejoice in the features of the

Rev. H. M. Douglas, West Haven: "I shall always be happy to reckon St. Johnsbury as my home, to recall the surpassing beauty of its scenery, the charm of its generous friendships.

George D. Rand, Boston: "It will be a rare occasion to meet former friends, and to recall with them the cherished memory of those whom we shall see no more. I retain a lively affection for St. Johnsbury and its people, and send cordial greetings."

C. P. Bowman, Sioux City, Iowa: "I do not believe there is another state in the Union that draws its sons with such bonds of affectionate remembrance. Rev. Thos. Tyrie, Attleboro, Mass.: You may be assured that our hearts will be with you and that we shall never lorget the five happy years spent in your

times, and she is worthy of them.' Dr. Geo. A. Gates, Cheyenne, Wyo. 'It hurts deep to say no, but I must. Miss Charlotte Morrill, Brooklyn: "I congratulate you upon the happy idea of calling together Vermont's sons and

and kindnesses shown us. The praises

of St. Johnsbury have been sung many

daughters.' Letters of regret were also received from Hon, H. C. Belden of Minneapolis, Alex. C. Hawes of San Francisco, Rev. C. M. Southgate of Auburndale, Mass. Rev. C. B. Atwood of Whiting, Hon. Frank S. Streeter of Concord, Rev. F. D. Buckley of Waterbury, Conn., J. K. Hamilton, Jr., of Marinette, Wis., Henry C. Hastings of Elk River, Minn., and several others.

## THE GUESTS.

Not a Complete List of Course, but as Nearly so as we can trive It. It is next to impossible to give a complete list of those who were here to attend the festivities of the week, much as we would like to do so. But we have been able to glean quite a number of names which we give below. If any have been omitted, it is because we

were unable to learn the names: Congressman D. J. Foster of Burlington; Hon, D. C. Remich and wife of Littleton; Hon. J. B. Gilfillan, wife and daughter, Minneapolis; Hon. Fred G. Fleetwood of Morrisville; E. H. Walcott of Boston; Hon F. D. Hale of Lunenburg; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Kyburg of Brooklyn; Mrs. Geo. H. Bradford of Sherbrooke; Mrs. P. K. Gleed, Morrisville; Geo. H. Hale, Suncook, N. H.; Daniel Harvey, Springfield, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Davis, Bellows Palls; Mr. and Mrs. Connell, Omaha; Julius A. Morrill, Springfield, Mass.; Arthur O. Malley and Miss Sargent, Wakefield, Mass.; Mrs. A. C. Aldrich. Somerville, Mass.; Dr. O. J. Brown, De Kalb, Ill.; A. L. Hardy, son Amherst Mass: M and Mrs. Walter P. Rankin, Boston: Miss Amanda Northrop, New York; Judge Moulton, Washington; Dr. David Harriman, South Hadley Falls, Mass.; Mrs. A. L. Simpson, White River Junction; Fred M. Crosby, Vergennes; I. P. Dana, Kansas City: Mrs. Olive Thompson: Mrs. B. L. Hastings: Chas. Wilcomb and wife: Mrs. W. Harvey; H. Thomas, wife and child; Mr Crampton; Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Noyes, Lancrster; Mrs. Mary R. P. Hatch, Hanover; Dr. Houghton and family, Boston; Rev. A. I. Davis and wife; Bath, Mainr.; Rev. E. A. Hoyt and wife, Dover, N. H.; Chas. E. Parks and wife, Boston; Mrs. Pierce, Washington, D. C .: Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Cook of Natick, Mass ; Edward Humphrey, wife and son, Boston; ProJ. McCurdy

and wife, Andover: R. W. Peabody and wife, Chicago.

Barnet had the lead when it came to the birthplace of the speakers. The committee of arrangements for Old Home Week, who are responsible for whatever success was scored, included Rev. Dr. Edward T. Fairbanks, Frank H. Brooks, A. F. Stone, F. G. Bundy, Harvlin Paddock, Jonathan Ross, Henry G. Ely, O. H. Henderson, George H. Cross, Harry H. Carr.

the musical selections. Atwood was the caterer. The company was waited on by a bevy of young ladies and gentlemen.

B. Frank Harris was accompanist in

### WATERFORD'S CELEBRATION. An Ideal Home Day and an Entertaining Program.

"Old Home Day," Aug. 14, in Waterford was in most ways an ideal day. Especially so was it to the nearly one hundred and fifty returning sons and daughters who again visited the homes of their childhood and saw, as of yore, the places where father and mother, brother and sister, friends and neighbors of the years gone into the past, used to meet us. Many of those dear ones, very many, we do not see, but the same old Waterford remains, and the day was none too long in which to recall those faces and scenes.

The welcome accorded the home returning ones was fittingly expressed by the chairman of the gathering when he said "We grant you open door and the freedom of the town." The venerable Amos B. Carpenter, four years past fourscore, reported the names of the first settlers of the town down to 1810, among which was Adams, who built the first house in town, on the hill southeast of St. Johnsbury East; Hemingway, Moody, Freeman, Brown, Armington, Ross, Pike, Carpenter, Cushman and others to the number of about forty. This report Mr. Carpenter verified by reference to the early records of the town.

John L. Frye, now of Danville, brought to our minds much that related to the activities of the years between 1840 and 1865. Such lively recalling of those incidents awakened in our minds pleasant and nearly forgotten memories. Judge Hosea Moulton of Washington,

"Although we have lived away from but his mother was; claimed, and his claim part of Cabot. During that winter his of the town, with 13 members, Rev, was allowed, that much of the integrity, industry, independence and ability that went out into the west and other parts of our country came from Vermont. His remarks were full of that energy and ernestness that makes the successful man

Hon. F. D. Hale, who was preceded in his remarks by his aged lather, Sprague T. Hale of Lunenburg, said he was not Waterford born, since he first saw light in "Copenhagen" in the town of Barnet; straight, that the lines or something must have been a little mixed, as his earliest recollections were of Waterford, Waterford church and Waterford schools. His remarks but expressed his regard for and interest in his home town.

Herbert L. Goss of Berlin Falls, N. H. recalled the fact that only a few years ago. Waterford was the birthplace of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of both New Hampshire and Vermont in the persons of Hon. Alonzo Carpenter and Hon. Jonathan Ross. Healso spoke of the eminent men on the Bench and at the Bar from Waterford, Hon. Jacob Benton and J. D. Stoddard being mentioned among others.

Mrs. Lora Webster Stockwell of Boston, sang an original song of greeting. Although not a Waterford girl herself she couldn't belp thinking that a descendant of a Waterford girl was a good enough husband for her, and enjoyed the testivities of the day in the town of midst, nor the unnumbered courtesies her husband's ancestors. Another young lady, Miss Helen Hall

of St. Johnsbury, daughter of Samuel Hall and granddaughter of one of the early Congregational ministers of Waterford, added much to the pleasure of the occasion by reciting in a pleasing manner a selection that could but recall many an incident, both ludicrous and pathetic of our early lives.

Mrs. Valentine of New York city, a daughter of C. C. Richardson, a son of Waterford, sang in a very acceptable manner "The New Jerusalem," which could not be passed by without an encore, which exhibition of musical talent to gether with a finely rendered piece by the Brown family, descendants of a Waterford girl, and the services by the choir, evidenced that along these lines, Water ford is not in the rear.

This was an "Old Home Day" not for the rich and high bred alon, but for the people in the common walks of life for all who have a warm heart for the town of their birth. Four sisters and one brother from one lamily returned to partake of its hospitality. There seemed to be no limit to this hospitality as all of us can testify who sat at the heavily laden tables and partook of the fruit of the handiwork of daughters of those matrons who built better than they knew in the years past and gone.

# Letters from Those Who Could Not Come,

Chairman Amos B. Carpenter sent out a large number of invitatiods to Vermonters resident outside of Waterlord, but comparatively few responded. Below are some extracts from letters sent

Mrs. Ellen Kenney Ware of Coventry 'Of course the town has changed with the passing years and has kept pace with the times; but we who are away can only think of the place as it was when we knew it. I send greetings.' Albert Mason, New York City

"There is nothing I look forward to with so much pleasure as the annual visit to Vermont and the old home".

A. B. Kinney, Lawrence, Mass: Have always been proud to have been born in Vermont, and have never regretted that the town was Waterford. V. C. Hastings, Concord, N. H.: "I

have always been proud to claim Water ford as my birthplace, and would be glad to return for this day of reviving old memories and associations. Rev. A. B. Rodgers, Windham: 'Waterford is our only old home in

Vermont, and is certainly very dear to Brief notes of regret and expressions of good will were also received from A. G. Bugbee of Derby Line, A. F. Carpenter of Somerville, Mass., G. L. Cushman, Curtis E. Parks and Chas. E. Parks and A. C. Carpenter of Boston, C. Goodenough of Berlin, N. H., James B. Hale of Newbury, E. E. Bishop of Littleton, N. H., W. C. Goss of Boston, M. W. Hovey of West Concord, Mrs. J. P. Laughlin of Barnet, L. O. C. Scott of Barnston, P. Q., and Mrs. Rebecca P. Fairbanks, M. J. Hovey, Mrs. C. F. Caswell, G. W. Carr, Rev. C. F. Morse, C. W. Couley, E. E. Carpenter, B. F. Weeks and John O. Hale of St Johnsbury: L. J. Cummings of Clinton Iowa; Emma Green Hunt of Ingomar,

## CABOT.

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Old Home Week-Decorations, Parade,

Places of Interest, Public Exercises, Centennial Church Celebration. In June a meeting was called to organ ize an Old Home Association. An organization was effected with the choice of Hon. J. M. Fisher for president and M. D. Wells for secretary. All the necessary committee were appointed to make the observance of the week a success and each committee went to work with a determination that there should be no failure on their part, which has been fully kept. It was agreed that the exercises of the week should begin Sunday, August 11, and be followed on Tuesday and Wednesday, and that on Thursday and Friday should occur the centennial celebration of the Congregational church in this town.

Devotional exercises were held at the

Congregational church Sunday, in which the whole town participated, the church being crowded to its utmost capacity. The opening exercises were conducted by Rev. O. E. Aiken of the Methodist church: the singing was very full and strong, nearly every voice in the congregation joining in the hymns. The anthem "The Lord is my Strength" was rendered most acceptably. The sermon was preached by Rev. D. L. Hilliard of the Congregational church, from the subject "Human Relationship of Homes and Community. The pastor gave a most able and eloquent discourse. In the evening a fine talk was given by Prof. A. J. Blanchard of De Kalbe, Ill., a former principal of Morrisville Academy. He afterwards accepted an offer of a position as principal at superintendent of schools in that locality

Tuesday was the day designated for a basket picnic at the Plains, where the first settlement of the town began by Benjamin Webster in 1783. All the places of interest were distinctly marked schoolhouse and the Hazen road. This road was cut through the wilderness in 1779 by General Hazen, and made a passable road for 50 miles above Peach-

army camped a short distance east of

the residence of E. B. Stone. The next point marked is the site of framed house in town and was built about 1798 by stirring men by the name of Beardsley from Massachusetts. This house was kept as a tavern and during the war of 1812 was a favorite place of resort of smugglers. All that now remains of the old house, except a few bricks scattered around, is the front door in the possession of E. B. Stone. Going north from this point comes Mr.

Shepard's house and blacksmith shop: the Shepard hill next and site of Dr. Scott's house. He was the first doctor in town, coming here in 1794, and practicing his profession for more than 50 years. He has now one son living, George W. Scott of Montpelier, who was present at the celebration. Another point of interest was the home of Hanson Rogers, Esq., who was a stirring citizen and influential man. Next was the home of Nathan Webster who came in 1784. His wife lived to 99 years old; he died younger. He has one grandson in town, George W. Webster. The next on the line is the site of Benjamin Webster's house. He was the first settler of the town and came from Salisbury, N. H., in the summer of 1782, and began chopping making a small clearing, where he built a cabin. He returned late in the fall for his family and came back in March, 1783, drawing all his worldly goods on a handsled, and his daughter, two years old, in a wash tub. His hired man drove the cows and his wife came on snow shoes. The last place designated is the site of the first distillery.

The day was one of the most perfect ones of the season; the air was clear and the gentle breeze made all comfortable, and old glory never spread herself more beautifully than from these heights. The scenery was grand-the White Mounains at the east and the Green Mountains and Mount Mansfield at the west all of which presented a most beautiful

and enchanting view to the eye. At an early hour teams began to arrive at the objective spot, it being the residence and grove of Mr. and Mrs. Eli B. Stone. They came in all manner of conveyances, from splendid carriages, two in hand, to lumber wagons, on foot, wheels and horseback. Before the sun reached high noon, the gathering numbered fully 1000 people. In a short time all took their lunch baskets to the grove where a happy hour was passed. Then came a short literary exercise, consisting of singing and very brief speeches. The president announced that the further entertainment of the afternoon would be in the open field, by the ball teams of Danville and Cabot. The game resulted in a victory for the Cabots.

On Wednesday the sun arose in all its beauty and splendor, enlivening every hillside, every leaf and every blade of grass. The president had requested that during the week the townsmen and citizens should decorate the residences and places of business with bunting and flags, and this request was fully complied with. In front of Morse Bros.' store was erected the most beautiful arch of bunting and flags ever seen in this town. This spanned the entire street and presented a most beautiful appearance. bearing on either side the motto in large letters. "Welcome Home." To the committee of arrangements is due the credit of these artistic decorations. The program arranged by the committee was fully carried out. The parade formed under the direction of the marshals, L. C. Lance and G. C. Gould, at 10.30 o'clock. It was led by the Marshfield cornet band; then came the officers and invited guests; a large wagon drawn by four bay horses, beautifully trimmed with evergreen and national colors, car rving 30 young ladies, all bearing evergreens and wreaths, and singing the national hymns. They were received with cheer upon cheer during the entire march; they were followed by citizens in carriages, merchants, and floats representing trades and industries. This latter was a very amusing feature of the parade.

After the parade, dinner was announce ed at the village hall, and over 800 free dinners were served. It was well said that no dinner committee ever served a more elaborate dinner, it being contribut ed entirely by the townspeople, and much eredit is due this committee, also for their efforts. At two o'clock all assembled in a large tent on the common and the exercises were opened with music by the band. Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Aiken and the large audience oined in singing "Auld Lang Syne"; an address of welcome was made by the president Hon. J. M. Fisher, followed by a response by E. W. Paige of New York city; after music the president introduced the orator of the day, Judge C. F. Stone of Laconia. The judge spoke of his early days in Cabot and his vivid recollections of the business men of the town and his first teaching school here, and said he was proud of the town of his birth, and the pleasant memories of his childhood. He spoke for an hour, holding the attention of the large crowd to the last word The audience then sang "Home Sweet Home." Prof. Hunt of Gorbam, Me., was the next speaker and he also spoke of his early days in Cabot, the advantages of an education, giving a laughable account of his first experience in attending the district school in the log schoolhouse. He kept the audience in laughter during the entire relation of this event. P. Lamson had a fine representation. of the school children of the town. Singing of America closed the exercises of the afternoon. In the evening as large an audience as through the day greeted the entertainment which consisted of a band concert, fire works, bonfire and promen-

ade. It was estimated that during the day more than 2000 people were in the place and perfect order was observed in the place throughout the week. Between 40 and 50 former residents were present to enjoy the festivities, but as no register was kept we are not able to give the names.

Thursday evening commenced the cententennial exercises of the Congregational church with a reception at the church Owing to a very severe rain the attendance was small.

Friday the clouds broke away and at 10 o'clock the church was filled and the Sycamore, Ill., and for several years was exercises commenced. Ministers present were Rev. C. H. Merrill of St. Johnsbury, P. B. Fisk of Greensboro, Mr. Cooledge of Woodbury, S. F Drew of Waterbury, and Mr. Billings of Marshfield. The address of, welcome was given by Dea. Ira F. Haines, responded to by Rev. S. F. -the first graves in town, the first Drew, who was pastor of the church from 1859 to 1871. After this followed the historical address by the pastor,

Rev. D. L. Hilliard. The church was organized October 25, am, running through the northeastern | 1801, at the schoolhouse at the Center

Mr. Ransom of Rochester and Rev. Mr Hallock, missionary from Connecticut, being present. Clement Coburn, who the old vellow house. This was the first | came from Connecticut and had been a deaeon in his native town was chosen to go before them in religious work. For 22 years they had no settled minister. They furnished themselves when they could which was seldom. Some times a missionary would come to them, but a large portion of the time the meetings were conducted by one of the deacons. There was no meeting house and during the summer, meetings were held in barns near the Center and in the winter at different houses. Meetings were always

kept up at some place. In the years 1804 and 1805 the question of building a meeting house began to be agitated and sufficient encouragement was received so that the house was raised September 25, 1806, at the center of the town, but stood in an unfinished condition until about 1810, when sufficient money or payment in meat stock or lumber was raised to close it in and lath some fourteen feet, so it could be used in the summer months, and here all parts of the town assembled for worship 18 summers. In 1824 the village had be gun to assume something of growth, and the meeting house was taken down, moved to the village, erected and finished on the spot where the school house stands. It was used until 1849 when the present church edifice was built and was dedicated July 4,1850. The first settled pastor of the church was Rev. Moses Ingalls in 1823, who remained two years. The church has had during the 100 years of its existence six regular installed pastors and seven acting pastors. present membership of the church is 121, fifteen members having served as deacons and 12 as clerks.

Next followed a very interesting chapter given by Mrs. M. Haines, "The Women of The Church," which plainly showed that the church has been blessed with good mothers in Israel; next a brief history of the Sunday school by Dea. A. M. Hodgdon, and Missionary societies by Mrs. Hiram Wells; The Christian Endeavorers by Miss Sarah McAllister. After singing, dinner was announced to which over 200 did am-

ple justice. At 3 o'clock a pilgrimage was made to the original site of the church building and a memorial stone placed. This is a large granite boulder placed upon the north-east corner of the foundation of the first church building. On this stone is chiseled:

1801-1901.

The services here were very impressive, opening with the singing of a hymn; scripture reading by Rev. Mr. Cooledge; Old Home Week, program of the centen-Old Home Week Vt. Watchman, and was offered by Dea. Moses S. Haines;

On Sunday services were held at the Congregational church. Rev. Mr. Hilliard again addressed a large audience, the house was crowded. In the evening none of the interest was abated. At 7 o'clock the house was filled. After the introductory services by the pastor, opportunity was given, and all were requested to speak upon subjects that had been before them the past week. The time was briefly occupied, the reading of letters of regret from those unable to be

After singing of America, the president returned thanks to the people and to the committees and all that had rendered so much assistance to make the events of the week so great a success, and announced the pleasures and festitivites of Old Home Week in Cabot for 1901 ended. Benediction by Rev. Mr. Aiken closed the

## PEACHAM.

The events of Old Home Week passed off very successfully. On Tuesday afternoon the Fifty Club entertained the Sixty Club and a large number of invited guests at the Mountain View House. Refreshments were served and a delightful time was enjoyed. The picnic at Harvey's Pond on Wednesday was very largely attended by people from Peacham, Barnet, Ryegate and other towns. The annual meeting of the Alumni Association was held in the Academy Thursday afternoon at three o'clock, Prof. N. J. Whitehill presiding. The trustees whose term of office had expired were re-elected. A local committee consisting of Mrs. Hunt, Mrs. Hooker, John Varnum, Walter Harvey and Miss Sarah Williams, was chosen to have charge of the meeting next year. It was voted to give the trustees of the Academy fitty dollars towards painting the building. The meeting was then adourned. The heavy rain which came on late in the afternoon and lasted nearly all the evening prevented many from attending the meeting in the evening, but a goodly number were present and enjoyed the exercises. Addresses were given by Hon. J. B. Gilfillan, Rev. Henry Shaw, Prot. L. H. Meader and Loren Pattridge. Cloud Harvey also made a few remarks and Miss Alice Ricker gave a reading. The music was very fine and consisted of songs by Mrs. Burt Hooker of Bradford and Master Joe Cheney of St. Johnsbury, a duet by Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mackay, a piano solo by Miss Sarah Williams and a piano duet by Misses Elsie Choate and Elsie Hooker. After the exercises light refreshments were served and a social hour was enjoyed. The Academy was decorated

Congregational Church.

depositing under the stone in a copper ox the roll of the church, program of nial of the church celebration, a copy of Vt. Missionary, after which prayer Original poem and address by Rev. P. B. Fisk and the benediction concluded the exersises.

present made a session of two hours.

with bunting and flowers for the oc-

Friday evening a lyceum was held in Academy hall, which was filled to overflowing, many being unable to obtain seats. Geo. C. Sanborn of North Carolina was president, Mrs. Mina Hooker, secretary, and read an imaginary report of the last lyceum, which was very amusing. The debate was participated in by Prof. L. H. Meader, S. J. Hastings, Loren Pattridge and Rev. Henry Shaw and was very laughable, as was also the dialogue, "Two Old Cronies," by Dr. Mackay and John Varnum. The paper was read by Mrs. Merritt Hunt and Mrs. Charles Choate and consisted of reminiscences and articles taken from old lyceum papers. Mrs. Jennie Miller sang two Scotch songs and a chorus sang Hurran for Old New England" and Auld Lang Syne." Master Cephas Guthrie, aged four, also sang a song. Mrs. Andrew Whitehill and Mrs. Elsie Merrill each recited a poem and Mr. J. S. Kenerson gave a declamation and the

affair was much enjoyed by all. The festivities of the week ended with a clam chowder picnic at Martin's pond

on Saturday.

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